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MATERIEL STANDARDIZATION PROGRAM

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1. HISTORY. This issue publishes a revision of this publication.

2. PURPOSE. To establish general guidelines for the Materiel Standardization Program (MSP).

3. APPLICABILITY. This memorandum applies to all MEDDAC/DENTAC/Veterinary personnel involved in supply and equipment procurement.

4. REFERENCE. AR 40-61, Medical Logistics Policies and Procedures.

5. RESPONSIBILITY.

5.1. MEDDAC Commander is the approval authority for MSP actions. All Dental and Veterinary matters will be concurrently approved by the commander of those activities.

5.2 The Deputy Commander for Clinical Services is the chairman of the Materiel Standardization Committee (MSC). He/She will approve all committee minutes and inform the Commander on matters requiring command review.

5.3 The Chief, Logistics Division is the program monitor. He/She will ensure guidelines are followed in accordance with AR 40-61, paragraph 8-2.

6. POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. The functions of the MSC are to:

6.1 Conduct meetings at least quarterly.

*This memorandum supersedes MEDDAC Reg 40-54, 5 Aug 98

6.2 Establish policy and implement materiel standardization for the MEDDAC, DENTAC, and Veterinary activities.

6.3 Review stocked and nonstocked nonstandard items. Standardization will be identified based on demand data or customer requests. Efforts should be focused on items that will have activity-wide usage, at a minimum of two or more customers.

6.4 Recommend nonstandard consumable medical materiel as a standard item based on patient care benefits, cost and mission requirements. The goal is to improve patient care through standardization and reduce cost.

6.5 A review of all common functions will be conducted periodically. Examples of special groups are syringes, surgical gloves, needles, catheters, surgical packs, and parenteral solutions.

6.6 Recommend medical equipment as standard items based on mission, costs, patient care benefits, and maintenance support. New equipment procurements should be reviewed based on comparable equipment on hand and/or activity wide usage. A review will be conducted if two or more customers use the same or comparable equipment.

6.7 Review items on the D-Day Significant Items List to ensure stockage levels and maximum use possible.

6.8 Review local purchase high dollar value items.

7. COMMITTEE COMPOSITION: See MEDDAC Memo 15-1.

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